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Argument of the Honorable Elihu Root on behalf of the United States before the North Atlantic Coast Fisheries Arbitration Tribunal at the Hague, 1910. Edited by JAMES BROWN SCOTT. (Boston: The World Peace Foundation, 1912. Pp. cli, 523. \$3.50.)

This volume is more comprehensive than its title indicates; the introduction (pp. ix-clii) contains an historical discussion of many aspects of the fisheries case and an analysis of the award; and the appendix (pp. 375-523) contains a map and many important documents, including treaties and unratified treaties, correspondence, statutes, the award with Dr. Drago's dissenting opinion, etc. Mr. Root's argument, which forms the body of the work, acquires peculiar interest as he arranged the arbitration while Secretary of State and later argued the case as chief counsel on the American side. It gives evidence of the most thorough mastery of the history of the subject, and profound knowledge of international law. He seems to have handled analogous foreign cases with greater familiarity than did his predecessors. It is not likely that a more complete statement of the American position will ever be made; the candor of Mr. Root and the material offered in the introduction and appendix make the book much more than a partisan presentation. To the intelligent reader it affords the basis for a satisfactory understanding of the whole controversy.

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